

# Family Ties

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## Andromeda

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Angry and dangerous,  
She storms into the house  
Shrieking as if spawned by banshees  
And not our misguided parents.  
She blasts everything in her way  
Firing thunderbolts  
From her elegant fingertips.  
An involuntary scream of terror  
Escapes my suddenly dry lips.  
I scramble for my wand,  
Knowing this action is futile.  
I shout at Ted to escape,  
As I try desperately to distract  
My older sibling,  
Hoping the menacing hands  
Of the crazed witch before me  
Will not destroy him.

When Bella hits me with the Cruciatis Curse

I writhe in torment,

Feeling my poor bones break

On the stone floor.

I feel my blood seethe,

Boiling beneath my papery skin.

The life I tenderly carry convulses

As my baby is racked by the assault we suffer

And as I howl in anguish and fear.

When the pain finally subsides

I become aware

Of my husband lying

Unconscious beside me.

I look wildly around

For the revengeful harpy.

I panic when I come to myself

With my wand missing

And a malevolent circle cast about me,

Denying me my use of magic.

Suddenly, with a burst of light

And a resounding crack,

An intense heat fills the house.

A sinister grey smoke,

Thick and choking,

Seeps into the room.

In helpless terror

I claw at the windows,

Trying to escape our flaming prison.

I see my once-loved sister

Dancing with delight

As we die.

I lay down beside Ted

Hugging his lifeless body to mine.

As deadly smoke enters my burning lungs,

The toxins streaming through my veins.

I see a shadowed figure

Standing in the corner,

Beckoning me to follow him

With a skeletal finger.

Reluctantly I succumb

To his insistence.

Ted will be waiting for me, and our child.